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substantial

SYLLABICATION: sub·stan·tial

PRONUNCIATION:  səb-stān'shəl

ADJECTIVE: 1. Of, relating to, or having substance; material. 2. True or real; not imaginary. 3. Solidly built; strong. 4. Ample; sustaining: *a substantial breakfast*. 5. Considerable in importance, value, degree, amount, or extent: *won by a substantial margin*. 6. Possessing wealth or property; well-to-do.

NOUN: 1. An essential. Often used in the plural. 2. A solid thing. Often used in the plural.

ETYMOLOGY: Middle English *substancial*, from Old French *substantiel*, from Latin *substantialis*, from *substantia*, substance. See substance.

OTHER FORMS: **sub·stan'ti·al'i·ty** (-shē-ăl'ē-tē), **sub·stan'tial·ness** (-shəl-nēs) —NOUN
sub·stan'tial·ly —ADVERB

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